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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
TAX POLICY**

Wednesday, December 12, 2018 8:15 a.m. Room 521, House Office Building

The House Committee on Tax Policy was called to order by the Chairman, Representative Jim Tedder.

Members present: Representatives Tedder, Maturen, Howrylak, Leutheuser, Lucido, Vaupel, Johnson, Kahle, Lower, Byrd, Neeley, and Ellison.

Members absent/excused: Representative Yancey.

Representative Kahle moved to adopt the minutes from the Tuesday, December 4, 2018 meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid before the committee SB 304:

SB 304 (Hune) Taxation; tobacco; cigarette tax; modify.

Troy Tuggle, representing Senator Hune's office, and Mark Renzenbrink, representing Tuttle's Select Cigars, introduced the bill to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

Andrew Schepers, representing the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, testified in opposition of the bill.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of SB 304, but did not wish to speak:

Christine Shearer, representing the Michigan Association of Health Plans.

Amy Drumm, representing the Michigan Retailers Association.

Polly Reber, representing the Michigan Distributors and Vendors Association.

Dave Hodgkins, representing the American Heart Association, submitted a testimony card in opposition of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid before the committee SB 1026 and SB 1027:

SB 1026 (Zorn) Sales tax; exemptions; exemption for contact lenses; provide for.

SB 1027 (Brandenburg) Use tax; exemptions; exemption for contact lenses; provide for.

Shane Preston, representing Senator Zorn's office, introduced the bills to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

The Chair went at ease at 8:35 a.m., and reconvened at 8:51 a.m.

Representative Lucido moved to report SB 1026 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-3-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Tedder, Maturen, Leutheuser, Lucido, Vaupel, Kahle, Lower, Byrd, and Neeley.

NAYS: Representatives Howrylak, Johnson, and Ellison.

PASS: None.

Representative Maturen moved to report SB 1027 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 9-3-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Tedder, Maturen, Leutheuser, Lucido, Vaupel, Kahle, Lower, Byrd, and Neeley.

NAYS: Representatives Howrylak, Johnson, and Ellison.

PASS: None.

The following people submitted a testimony card in opposition of the bills, but did not wish to speak:

Ken Osborne, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury.

Mitch Albers, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Lisa Hansknecht, representing the Oakland Intermediate School District.

Bob Kefgen, representing the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals.

Patti Tremblay, representing the Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators.

Peter Spadafore, representing the Michigan Association of School Administrators.

Jeff Towns, representing the Michigan Optometric Association, submitted a testimony card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair returned to SB 304:

Representative Vaupel moved to report SB 304 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 10-2-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Tedder, Maturen, Leutheuser, Lucido, Vaupel, Johnson, Kahle, Lower, Byrd, and Neeley.

NAYS: Representatives Howrylak and Ellison.

PASS: None.

The Chair laid before the committee SB 1223:

SB 1223 (Nofs)	Economic Development; tax increment financing; reimbursement formula for tax increment revenues lost as a result of certain personal property tax exemptions; modify.
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Representative Maturen moved to report SB 1223 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 11-1-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Tedder, Maturen, Leutheuser, Lucido, Vaupel, Johnson, Kahle, Lower, Byrd, Neeley, and Ellison.

NAYS: Representative Howrylak.

PASS: None.

The Chair laid before the committee HB 4985 and HB 4986:

HB 4985 (Maturen)	Property tax; exemptions; qualifying for disabled veteran exemption; revise procedure.
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HB 4986 (Maturen)	Individual income tax; property tax credit; disqualifiers and limitations on property tax credit for disabled veterans; eliminate, and repeal disabled veterans property tax exemption.
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Substitute (H-1) was previously adopted to HB 4986 on November 28th, 2018.

Representative Maturen moved to adopt the substitute (H-2) to HB 4985.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 12-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Tedder, Maturen, Howrylak, Leutheuser, Lucido, Vaupel, Johnson, Kahle, Lower, Byrd, Neeley, and Ellison.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Representative Maturen moved to report HB 4985, as substitute (H-2), with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 10-1-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Tedder, Maturen, Howrylak, Leutheuser, Lucido, Vaupel, Johnson, Byrd, Neeley, and Ellison.

NAYS: Representative Kahle.

PASS: Representative Lower.

Representative Maturen moved to adopt the substitute (H-2) to HB 4986.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 12-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Tedder, Maturen, Howrylak, Leutheuser, Lucido, Vaupel, Johnson, Kahle, Lower, Byrd, Neeley, and Ellison.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Representative Maturen moved to report HB 4986, as substitute (H-2), with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 10-1-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Tedder, Maturen, Howrylak, Leutheuser, Lucido, Vaupel, Johnson, Byrd, Neeley, and Ellison.

NAYS: Representative Kahle.

PASS: Representative Lower.

The following people submitted a testimony card in support of the bills, but did not wish to speak:

Chris Hackbarth, representing the Michigan Municipal League.

Alex Morris, representing the Michigan Bankers Association.

Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association.

Mark Sutton, representing the Michigan American Legion, submitted a testimony card in opposition of the bills, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid before the committee HB 6024:

HB 6024 (Hughes)	Property tax; exemptions; exemption for disabled veterans; modify.
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Representative Lucido moved to adopt the substitute (H-1) to HB 6024.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 11-0-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Tedder, Maturen, Howrylak, Leutheuser, Lucido, Vaupel, Johnson, Kahle, Lower, Byrd, and Neeley.

NAYS: None.

PASS: Representative Ellison.

Representative Lucido moved to report HB 6024, as substitute (H-1), with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 12-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Representatives Tedder, Maturen, Howrylak, Leutheuser, Lucido, Vaupel, Johnson, Kahle, Lower, Byrd, Neeley, and Ellison.

NAYS: None.

PASS: None.

Representative Byrd moved to excuse the absent member.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

There being no further business before the committee and seeing no objection, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 8:59 a.m.

Representative Jim Tedder, Chair

Date Approved and Signed

Eddie Sleeper
Committee Clerk
December 4, 2018
43 minutes